over to Army in 2005 and nine more Tanks are ready for delivery. The remaining quantity is expected to be delivered by 2009.

(c) All issues related to production of MBT Arjun have been resolved and the production is getting stabilized.

(d) At present there is no such proposal to take cooperation of private sector as a joint venture. However, private sector is involved in the project as supplier of various components/assemblies.

(e) Presently, Army is using tanks imported from various countries.

Import of trainer aircrafts from Britain

3700. SHRI SYED AZEEZ PASHA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are planning to import trainer aircraft from Britain to replace MIG-21; if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether HAL can produce these aircrafts in India; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons for import?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) to (c) Government have approved the induction of 66 Hawk Advanced Jet Trainer (AJT) aircraft from M/s BAF Systems of the United Kingdom to replace MiG-21 FL aircraft, as there was no indigenous replacement for the aircraft. 24 aircraft will be supplied by BAF systems in flyaway condition and 42 aircraft will be license manufactured in India by M/s Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL).

Crash of combat aircrafts

3701. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state

(a) the year-wise and type-wise details of the combat aircrafts lost in crashes during the last three years;

(b) how many of these aircrafts were manufactured, overhauled or upgraded by the HAL and when; and

(c) what was the prospective operational life of such aircrafts?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) to (c) The Defence Forces have lost 29 combat aircraft in accident during the period 1st April 2004 to 31st March 2007. The year-wise details are as under:—

Year	Number of combat aircrafts lost
2004-05	13
2005-06	8
2006-07	8
TOTAL:	29

Out of these 29 combat aircraft, 8 MiG-21,6 Jaguar, 4 MiG-27, 3 MiG-29, 4 Mirage, 1 Bison and 3 Sea Harrier were lost.

The detials of aircraft manufactured, overhauled & upgraded by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited are as under:-

Type of combat	Manufactured	Overhauled	Upgraded
(a) Jaguar	3	5	Nil
(b) Mirage	Nil	4	Nil
(c) MiG-21	2	8	Nil
(d) Mison	Nil	1	1
(e) MiG-23	Nil	Nil	Nil
(0 M1G-27	3	3	Nil
(g) MiG-29	Nil	3	Nil

These Aircraft were overhauled/upgraded at HAL between the years 1992 to 2004.

Approximately between 40%-50% operational life was balance on these aircraft at the time of crash.